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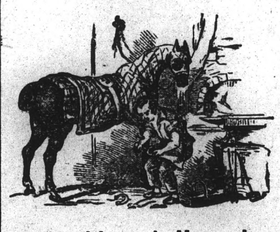

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Will come to earth again,
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Will melt in April rain.

Thus sorrow from thy aching heart
Shall flee like night away,
And trials pass, and fleeting time
Will bring at last the day.

—*Harper's Weekly.*

GAIN AND LOSS.

The Burial Place of Jake Holt's Little Girl.

My first night at Hustletown promised to be dull enough. The Metropolitan Hotel, at which I am stopping, was altogether barren of metropolitan attractions. A hard rainstorm had set in about dark, and the heavy drops clattered against the window panes and ran down them in shining streams. I strolled into the bar and billiard room, in which at western hotels there is usually abundant life and animation. The only inmate was the bartender, who, seated on a low stool and leaning against the beer refrigerator, was reading an illustrated paper. The single billiard table, covered with what looked like a faded old bed quilt, wore a very distressed and woe-begone look, as if at that moment it might be suffering from a nightmare consisting of all the execrable shots to which during its lifetime it had been made an unwilling party. Several rows of shining pool balls in the rack against the wall winked in the dim light of the dingy kerosene lamps. Eight or ten cues, stained with the grasp of many dirty palms, stood up stiff and prim in a line in the cue-rack, and at the end of the bar stood a large box spittoon, the fresh sawdust in which showed the effects of a recent center shot.

I shook my head at the barkeeper, who had raised his eyes inquiringly, to signify that I wanted no bar-room refreshments, then glancing out the dripping window and seeing a bright light across the street, I turned down the brim of my slouch hat, buttoned my coat around my throat and scurried over to the little saloon which is, as I had learned during the day, the favorite retreat of the village tipplers. A rough-looking man sat at a table sipping gin and water, and sipping it, too, with a deliberation indicating either an absence of ardent thirst or a desire to make the most of the drink.

"Gineral," said to him one of the three or four like-looking men gathered around the stove, "this a howlin' bad night."

The "gineral"—whether so-called in a spirit of compliment for military services, perhaps duly recorded somewhere in the war annals of his country, or in the way of a facetious allusion to his marked propensity for gin and water, I shall not attempt to say—poised his spoon long enough in the air midway from his glass to his lips to reply that it was, indeed, "a tough 'un, and gettin' wus and wus." And as if to corroborate this unfavorable opinion of the weather, the rain beat against the door and windows with increased fury, the wind tore headlong through the street hitting the swinging signs a blow that made them shriek with pain and rage, and the rising creek roared in the gulch below.

"That boomin' creek down there," resumed "the gineral," after a little pause, "makes me think of the terrible night when old Jake Holt's little gal was carried away in the big spring rise. It was nineteen years ago the comin' spring. Yes, it started in just like this, a-rainin' and a blowin' and the creek howlin' itself hoarse. What an awful night it was, and what a deal of bad luck and what a deal o' good it brought to old Jake Holt. Jake, ye see, was allus just the poorest, seediest, good-for-nothinest cuss anywhere round here. But he was a rich man almost from the fust hour that big storm burst over the holler. "Yes, sir, sure's you're born, ef it hadn't been for the drownin' of that pooty little gal down in the run there Jake might o' been yet the poor, shiftless coot he was them days, instead o' the richest man in these parts, which he is now."

"Well, I don't mind tellin' ye the story, stranger, though it's an old un to folks hereabouts.

"The weather all that spring was just a little the wust you ever see. The snow melted and ran down the mountains, leavin' their brown sides bare a sight sooner than I'd ever seen it do before. The drizzlin' rain never missed a day. It rained just all the time, sometimes slow and sometimes harder. The sun didn't shine, and for days and days together we didn't see a patch o' blue sky. Great banks o' mist went sailin' slowly along the sides of the mountains, hidin' 'em from the sight of everybody on this side the run. A shower of rain drops fell out o' the pines with every breath of the wind. Rain, rain, rain. The snow kep' meltin' and the mountains was checkered with cuts in the red clay down which streamed the rain and melted snow. Everything was damp and drizzling, everybody felt blue enough to take pizen.

"All this time the run had kep' creepin' up the banks. From a little stream that you almost could stand and jump across in dry times, it got before long to rushin' and ragin' like the old Missouri river on a bender.

"Jake lived in a little shanty half way up the bluff on t'other side o' the creek. It was a mean, tumble-down sort o' place, for Jake, just as I said, was a no-account feller—a shiftless kind o' cuss, who never had the knack o' gettin' along like other folks. If he ever tried to do anything it never panned out as it would a done for anybody else. Hard luck was allus at his heels. He took up more 'n a dozen different claims hereabouts, but they never amounted to nothin', while fellers all round him were making big money right along. Jake was a Jonah for every poker game and every body allus hated to set in with him. They lived poor enough in the little shanty up the bluff there. I don't know what they'd a done if it hadn't been for Jake's wife, a tearin' smart woman, who took in washin' and did a little sewin' and mendin' for the neighbors, while Jake was spendin' what money he got agin the Golden Gate bar.

"They had a little gal, as pooty a little thing as ever you see, with eyes as blue as a pool on the top of the mountains, and hair that shone like streaks of bright gold in the rock. Her name it was Maggie, and at the time I'm tellin' about she must a bin seven or eight years old. She was just as cute, and pretty and smart as they ever make 'em, and Jake was mighty proud of her, as well he might be. Why, I've seen her come down to the Golden Gate and take Jake home up the mountain when it was so late the stars was beginnin' to fade out o' sight before the sunrise.

"One night a lot of us was over to the Golden Gate. I was playin' poker with a Sacramento chap and another feller I didn't know, but who seemed to be a friend o' his'n. The creek had riz about three feet that day, and it looked mighty scary for every thing in its reach. Cy Parker, who owned the saw-mill a little above, had been pokin' round with a long pole pretty much all day to see how high she was, and how fast she was risin', and he looked mighty solem, I tell you. Folks livin' in the houses along the banks had moved out, and just before dark everybody in town had been watchin' the bridge, fearin' every instant to see it carried away. It was still rainin', and the wind and the waters were tryin' to see which could made the most noise. We kep' on a-playin', me and the Sacramento man and the other feller, not carin' for the flood nor any thing else but the game. Jake and the other boys, who had got tired watchin', was snoozing around the hot stove. 'Magine my feelin's if you can, when I got a hand on the Sacramento chap's deal with four kings in it. I backed her for all I had, just as you'd a done, stranger, and the Sacramento chap stayed! But fill me with buckshot if he didn't show over me with four pesky aces and scoop in the pot. That wound up the game for me. I sat down in a comfortable place by the stove with a night-cap of my regular gin and water. Daylight was stealin' in through the the drippin' winders. 'It was still rainin' and the wind was still howlin' just about as it is now. All at once I heard somebody callin'. What I had 'magined before was a wild, scared voice some time I was now sartin about. I woke up the boys and we went out to see what was the matter. It was hard to believe your eyes. The mill was gone, the bridge was gone. Every house that stood anywhere near the banks had been carried away. Trees that were high and dry before were bendin' their boughs before the ragin' waters, and the boilin', tumblin', foamin' creek was tearin' along full of logs, lumber, drift-wood, wrecks of houses, and every thing you could think of. But we didn't stop to look round much. For there on the other side o' the creek down to the water's edge was Jake's wife, standin' in the gray mornin' with her hands at her chin, clutchin' and old, faded shawl around her head, and her dress soakin' wet and switchin' in the wind. 'Jake,' she called, in a scared, wild voice, 'is Maggie over there?' Jake giv a sudden start, turned pale as a ghost, reeled as if stunned, and answered back, 'No,' as it was the hardest word he ever spoke in all his life. I'll never forget, if I lives to be a hundred, the shriek of that poor woman as she fell in a heap to the ground.

"Ye see, she'd sent Maggie down to the Golden Gate to get Jake, fearin' he might fall into the run if he tried to go home alone while full. Every body thought she must a-ben on the bridge when it went down the creek. Jake took on awful. We got up a party of us and went sarchin' down both banks for the poor little girl's body. We didn't find it for purty nigh a week. The rain had stopped, the sun was shinin' brighter'n ever and the creek had gone down agin to where it belonged. It allus seemed to me as if that tree down there was claspin' that poor little dead gal in its arms in a kind o' savin'-like way. For, tangled in the branches of a big fallen tree about a mile down the stream, and partly kivered up with leaves we found her. It was a purty place. There was a little clearin' near by in the shade of some big trees that the first birds o' spring was chipperin' round in. Below was the creek, a murmurin' as if sorry for what he had done. On the other side was the mountains, bristlin' with pine trees that shone in the sun as if they had been varnished. There wasn't no graveyard here then, and Jake, who didn't believe in churches and regular funerals and such things, allowed he'd bury her right there in the little clearin'. One of us went back for Jake's wife, and to tell the folks who hadn't heard she'd been found. There was a preacher in the sarchin' party, a chap that hed been tryin' to get up some religious meetin's in the hall over the Golden Gate. When every body was ready he said a little prayer, and blamed if what that preacher said about that poor little dead gal there didn't start the tears a-flowin' in every body's eyes. Then Jake, who said as how no one but hisself should dig that grave, took a pick than one of us had borrowed from a mine near by. Almost the first lick he struck Jake stopped sudden, turned pale, and rubbed his eyes with his fist. But every body knew Jack was feelin' mighty bad, and it's a purty hard thing, stranger, for a man to dig a grave which he's goin' to bury his only child in. Then Jake took another lick. Then he stooped down and looked hard at the gravel he'd just turned up. I looked thar, too. What was it? Gold, stranger, gold; just as sure as you're standin' agin that bar. Yes, sir; right thar, in diggin' that little grave for his dead gal, Jake struck the biggest lead ever struck in this county.

"The parson, who saw the gleam o' gold in the gravel, said somethin' about its bein' nature's sermon on Maggie, or nature's tribute, or somethin' like that, and Jake kept on diggin' till the grave was done. Then we lowered her into it, covered her with pine branches, and then Jake filled the grave up with dirt you could see the gold gleamin' in at every shovelful.

"That big house up yonder on the bluff, with the towers and coopalos, verandos and all them sort o' things, belongs to Jake. It's on the same place where his old shanty used to stand. But folks say that pay gravel, as rich as it has made him, has never paid Jake Holt for the loss by which he struck it."—*Chicago Herald.*

CATCHING CRIMINALS.

Domestic Ties Which Lead Lawbreakers into the Hands of the Police.

"Every once in a while people read in the papers how some man who has just done a job has skipped, leaving no trace behind him," said a central office detective to a reporter. "The first thing they do is to blame the detectives. Then, a year or two perhaps afterward, they hear that the man has been caught. Then they praise the detectives for skill and perseverance as much as they blamed them before. They were wrong to blame them in the first place, and I'm not sure that they were right in praising them so highly afterward. In ordinary circumstances any criminal is sure to be caught.

"You say there are many crimes never unraveled. That's so. But in most of them the police get to know who did the job, but they can't get the evidence, and so they lie low and wait. In a few exceptional cases it's best not to punish anybody.

"If a man runs away the police can pinch him nine times out of ten just by watching his home. Shakspeare never said a truer thing than when he said: 'There's no place like home.' It was Shakspeare, wasn't it? Well, every man, no matter how bad he is, has a home of some kind that he's going to visit, although he knows that the visit may land him in the State prison for twenty years, and as soon as he thinks the coast is clear he's going to that home. All the police have to do is to find out that home, watch it and nab their man when he shows up.

"There's that man who shot the negro janitor. He got West and was doing well, and nobody knew where he was. But he had to come back to New York to see his friends. There's Jimmy Riley. He broke seven of the strongest jails in the country—Sing Sing was the last of them. What did he do when he got out of Sing Sing? He went straight to Tenth avenue, where everybody knew him. Now he's back at Sing Sing. Talk to Captain Washburn about Hell's Kitchen and places at the foot of West Thirty-ninth and Fortieth streets in his precinct. He'll tell you that whenever he wants one of the crooks who hang out there he has only to go there to get him. They never try to hide in any part of the city. Do you remember that burglar ——— shot a policeman way back in the sixties, when he was caught breaking into an arms store on Broadway? Well, he thought it safe to come back to New York after nearly twenty years, and the first thing he knew he was on trial for his life. He would have come back sooner, too, if he hadn't been prevented by being locked up in different prisons out West.

"Another thing that helps the detectives in catching big crooks is their inter-marriages. It's a saying that every Hebrew in Baxter street belongs to one of three families. It's about the same with crooks. About every big one among them is connected by marriage or blood ties with the others."—*N. Y. Herald.*

WHAT THEY MEAN.

A Few Useful Hints for Persons Unacquainted With Worldly Ways.

When a young clerk tells you, with a nonchalant air: "My duties now are of the most perfunctory character," he means that he is allowed to hang on by his eyebrows, at an infinitesimal salary, or with no pay at all, till he can get another job.

When you ask after the condition of a friend who is dangerously ill, and the doctor remarks: "One should never be too sanguine—life is uncertain," he means that the undertaker has got a dead-sure thing on your friend.

When you, without present income or future prospects, ask the millionaire's daughter to marry you, and she says: "No," she means No, and by a very large majority.

When the aristocratic swell, accidentally put under personal obligations to you, says, with a smile as genial as sunshine on an iceberg: "My dear fellow, I'll be delighted to have you dine at my house—come any day," he means any day when he and his family are out of town for the season.

When the small-fry politician from Waybackville, who has been hanging around Washington for three months, rushes up to you in the hotel reading-room with a telegram in his hand, and says: "I find that my wife's health is much worse, and I really must leave for home on the next train," he means that he got left on his local postmastership, that he has worked all the departments for a clerkship in vain, that his friends and his credit at his boarding-house are both exhausted, that his Congressman has refused to loan him another "X," and that he is about to strike you for money enough to get home with.

And when you say: "Ah, I'm *very* sorry to hear that"—but you must excuse me—I see that Senator So-and-So is waiting for me," it means that the impecunious gentleman from Waybackville will have to strike somebody else—or walk.—*Puck.*

—Not less than eight hundred million dollars is invested in mining enterprises as productive capital in the United States, and over four hundred thousand people are furnished employment, and the mineral product of the Union for the year 1884 had a value of four hundred and thirteen million, one hundred and four thousand, six hundred and twenty dollars.—*Chicago Times.*

Most Permanent of Vegetable Odors.

Patchouly is supposed to be the most permanent of all vegetable odors. The plant resembles mint, and is a native of various parts of India.

SONOMA INDEX-TRIBUNE.

H. H. GRATICE - - - - - - - - - - - EDITOR

SONOMA, MAY 22, 1886.

Communications upon matters of local or general interest solicited.

Communications designed to call attention to any matter of limited or individual interest will not be inserted unless paid for as an advertisement.

The author's real name must accompany all communications, not necessarily for publication, but as a guarantee of good faith. This rule will not be deviated from.

DISGRACEFUL.

The other evening a traveling open-air concert troupe attempted to give an entertainment upon one of our public streets, but were prevented from doing so by the uproarious ribaldry of an intoxicated individual. So persistent was he in his interruptions that the concert people, after dismissing the spectators, retired in disgust. Affairs have come to a pretty pass in this town when one drunken man can disturb and eventually break up a gathering of respectable people. Had an officer been summoned to arrest and jail this disturber of the peace the concert people would not have been driven out of town after having a license squeezed out of them for the privilege of remaining here a few days and engaging in a legitimate calling. In justice to the City Marshal we will state that he was engaged in the performance of his duty in another part of town and knew nothing of the disturbance at the time. But why some of those who witnessed the disgraceful scene did not interest themselves in the matter sufficiently to secure the arrest of the offender is one of the peculiarities of the average Sonomaite that is past finding out.

People of Sonoma. One word of caution! If such breaches of the law as that mentioned above are to be permitted to pass unnoticed our usually quiet and orderly town will fall into disgrace and get a hard name abroad. This will influence people from visiting Sonoma on business or for pleasure and the business of the town will suffer in consequence. Hereafter when a disturbance is created, we trust, in the absence of an officer, that those who are witnesses to it will take it upon themselves to hunt one up and have the offender arrested. The welfare of the community demands this. If no arrests are to follow disturbances of this kind we might as well abolish our police system and let the lawless element "paint the town red" without let or hindrance.

THE State Prohibition Convention adjourned last week after nominating the following ticket: For Governor, J. A. Russell of Alameda; Lieutenant-Governor, A. D. Boren of San Bernardino; Secretary of State, F. E. Kellog; State Treasurer, H. S. Graves of Sutter; Controller, J. A. Fairbanks of Alameda; Attorney-General, G. Babcock of Butte; Surveyor-General, G. B. Tallman of San Francisco; Superintendent of Public Instruction, Rev. D. A. Mobley of San Joaquin; Clerk of the Supreme Court, J. Lyons of Los Angeles. Board of Equalization—A. S. Reynolds, San Francisco; A. J. Gregg, Alameda; C. E. Green, Yolo; C. B. Hogue, Santa Barbara. Railroad Commissioners—Rev. W. C. Damon, Napa; E. O. Tade, San Mateo; H. S. McLenn, Stanislaus. Congressmen—R. L. Simmons, Lake; W. W. Smith, Solano; C. Henderson, San Francisco; F. Allengaugh, Santa Clara; W. A. Harris, San Bernardino.

THE "Gazette" and "Herald" of Mariposa, fierce rival newspapers, have been consolidated, the latter being merged into the former. Angevine Reynolds, for many years editor and proprietor of the "Gazette," is at the helm. We are pleased to know that our old time friend still holds his own. Mr. Reynolds, always an independent and fearless journalist, antagonized the local political bosses and whippers-in of his party several years ago, and an opposition paper was started to squelch him and drive him from the field. But, although enfeebled by sickness and old age, somehow he didn't drive worth a cent, and after a six-years' contest with his political opponents he has come out the victor, and the old "Gazette" still survives. Angevine, old boy, we congratulate you. "Put 'er thar."

PATRONIZE home industries.

BEYOND THE ROCKIES.

The loss of life and property east of the Rocky Mountain range by cyclones, floods, drouth and unseasonable hail-storms has been most extraordinary. Colorado, Kansas, Nebraska, Minnesota, Illinois, Indiana, Michigan and Pennsylvania have been visited by terrific and destructive hurricanes and cyclones, in some instances accompanied by showers of hail, the balls of which are described as being an inch and more in diameter. Western Texas, a part of Colorado and New Mexico are suffering from severe drouth which threatens to desolate a scope of country two or three hundred miles wide and extending from the Arkansas river to the Gulf of Mexico, destroying cattle now at the rate of nine hundred head per day in Texas alone; the plains along the line of the Southern Pacific and Atlantic and Pacific railroads being thickly studded with carcasses of deceased bovines, while the odor rising from them and being wafted upon the breezes is nauseating and pestilence breeding. In the tornado districts the property destroyed amounts to millions of dollars, leaving thousands homeless and dependent upon the charity of neighbors for shelter and the means of subsistence.

Dispatches informing the public of these disasters along the westerly edge of the Mississippi Valley from the great lakes to the Gulf Coast have followed each other in quick succession for several weeks, detailing incidents, the horrors of which are sickening to relate, and though the disasters cover a large extent of rich and densely populated territory, when compared with the broad domain embraced within the boundaries of this great country, as seen upon the map, they look to be insignificant specks as compared with the whole body of country composing the Union. But such disasters are the wonders of a day comparatively, the recuperative powers of the resolute and go-ahead people, aided by the inherent wealth of a most generous soil, enables them to soon retrieve their losses of property, forget the deprivations and become reconciled to the loss of friends and kindred, and the world moves on as before.

Happily, however, we, here upon the western borders of civilization, are exempt from any such catastrophes as have burdened the wires which span the continent and place us in instantaneous communication with friends and kindred on the easterly shores of the continent. True, at very rare intervals some parts of this coast are shaken up a little by shocks of earthquake, yet loss of life and property is rare.

Truly may it be said that here, on the Pacific slope, with soils and climates widely diversified, yet ever generous and salubrious, the dangers, tribulations and misfortunes which menace mankind are conjured up and nursed into strength and power for harm by man; for, with true devotion by our people to the principles laid down by the "Golden Rule" set forth in the "Book of Books," California and the neighboring States and Territories might become a veritable "Garden of Eden."

Look on the Bright Side.

Say a good word for your town and county whenever an opportunity presents itself. More towns die for want of confidence and public spirit among its own citizens than from opposition and rivalry on the outside. When a man is in search of a home and finds everybody brim full of hope and enthusiasm over the prospects of the place, earnestly working to build up its different enterprises, he becomes fully imbued with the same spirit, and as a result sticks his stakes and goes to work himself with some interest. When, however, he goes to a place and hears men expressing doubts and apprehensions as to the outlook, and go moping about in mournful complaints of imaginary evils which may be likely to befall the place, he naturally feels that it is no place for him and shakes the dust from off his feet, while he pulls with all possible speed to some other locality.—San Jacinto "Herald."

GEN. ROSECRANS has again been confirmed as Register of the United States Treasury.

J. F. LINTHICUM, late editor of the Santa Rosa "Democrat," has been appointed Deputy Secretary of State.

WASHINGTON LETTER.

Gossip About President Cleveland and His Fiancee.

The Members of the House Indulge in Sarcastic Speeches.

[From our Regular Correspondent.]

WASHINGTON, May 10, 1886.

There is a good deal of bustle about the White House just now which is not due to annual house-cleaning. Society young ladies who profess to know all about it assign the cause to the approaching transfer of Miss Cleveland from the exalted social post she has filled for more than a year and the succession of Miss Folsom to the position of first lady of the land.

President Cleveland has the name of being the least communicative of all the Presidents, and no one has been able to entrap him into an admission as to the date of the ceremony. It is announced, however, by the ladies who claim to know, for the first week in June, for the reason that Miss Cleveland retires to her New York home during that week. Congress will still be in session rushing through the appropriation bills, and as it would be difficult for Mr. Cleveland to leave the city at that time, it is also set down as certain that the marriage will take place at the White House.

The President has been quite annoyed by the immense amount of gossip that has been published about his approaching nuptials, and will doubtless be glad when it is all over. The big, silent old bachelor is bashful and does not relish having his fiancee paraded over the country. And then the jabber of his wife-elect's relations, who are joyfully basking in reflected greatness (?) and more of them are turning up every day.

After a three weeks' discussion of the great River and Harbor bill, the House voted $15,000,000 to patch up the water ways of the country, and dozens of villages will rejoice to learn that the creeks which meander past them are going to be improved so that the local cabbage crop can go to market quickly and easily. But the Capital of the Nation was ignored in the grand dole. The Potomac Flats get nothing.

The tendency of Congress to waste time on insignificant subjects received striking exemplification during the past week. The House spent one whole day's session in fruitlessly discussing the war services of a twelve-year-old boy. His claim to a bounty of $200 led to a revival of war memories in which the battle of Richmond, Ky., played an important part. This boy being refused a muster in an Ohio regiment on account of his age and size, it was claimed that he purchased a uniform and served in the regiment a year, acting as a bugler and performing gallant scout duty.

Representative Bragg of Wisconsin, in a sarcastic speech, said the great patriotism which had been displayed by the boy, seemed to have oozed away, and he had become a beggar asking money of the Government. A touch of sentiment was added to a picture of a battle scene by placing in the foreground the figure of a dead drummer boy, with his drum beside him. But it was only sentiment. In reality, the drummer boy, at the beginning of a battle, could be seen breaking the head of his drum and running to the rear to do hospital service. One of the most glorious memories of the war was of the noble women who became nurses in order to alleviate the sufferings of the soldier, but now these women were found coming to the War Claims Committee, begging that their gratuitous services should be coined into dollars and cents. That knocked all the sentiment out of the thing. He wanted some of the rich memories of the war preserved. He did not want them all brought down to dollars and cents.

Representative Weaver of Iowa, after admitting that war pictures were very deceptive, called attention to that particular "humbug in American military history" which pictured an officer leading a charge. The officers were generally where their order and the rules of war required them to be, in a safe place in the rear, while the privates did the shooting, fighting and dying.

Mr. Johnston of Indiana, maintained that a lad might do good service in a regiment, and he instanced the cases of two boys in his regiment who had done their duty gallantly at the battle of Richmond, Ky. They did as much for their country as did the man who led the Iron Brigade and who now attacked a boy who had bared his breast to save his country. The gentleman from Wisconsin, Mr. Bragg, had attacked the nurses in the army. If a poor woman had given her service to her country, and now, with health shattered and means gone, asked the country to do something for her, was it not as honorable for the government to help her as to raise the pension of a General's widow from $30 to $50.

Sold for a Hundred Cabbage Plants.

The last sale of a slave in Virginia took place in the spring of 1865. The facts were the following: The confederacy was on its very last legs, and the owner of a negro woman in Augusta, knowing that slavery would be ended in a few days, sold her for what he could get. As there was no circulating medium of any sort then—for nobody would take Confederate money at any value—the woman's master bartered her off for 100 cabbage plants.—Chicago Times.

Statue of the Famous Pharaoh.

A great red granite statue has been discovered ten miles away in the desert near Alexandria, in Egypt. It represents the famous Pharaoh, who was responsible for all the Egyptian plagues, and on one side of it is a statue of a little baby, said to be that of the next Pharaoh, who perished in his rash attempt to drive through the Red sea. It has been lying there 3,000 years.—Chicago Journal.

The Immense Size of Sun Spots.

A sun spot measuring one second of distance is 470 miles in size. No telescope can deal with a smaller spot. A spot large enough to be seen with the naked eye must measure 250,000 square miles.

A Diamond Belt in Georgia.

Diamonds in plenty, a geologist who has studied the subject says, will yet be found in Georgia, in a belt that he locates between Atlanta and the Savannah river, a distance of about 100 miles from ten to thirty in breadth.—Chicago Herald.

Patents Granted.

The following patents were granted to citizens of the Pacific States during the past week, and reported expressly for the INDEX-TRIBUNE: J. A. McKerron, San Francisco, horse ankle protector; S. A. Perry, San Francisco, making picture moldings; L. H. Pierson, San Francisco, drill press; J. A. Robb, San Jose, saw guide; S. S. Rogers, Asotin City, penholder; D. Samuel, San Francisco, copying press; E. Ehlin, San Francisco, cigar; E. J. Hall, San Francisco, pen; M. L. Bergeman, Buena Vista, road cart; A. W. Van Dorston, Portland, car coupling; D. Young, Stockton, grain separator; F. R. White, San Francisco, envelope.

HOTEL ARRIVALS.

UNION HOTEL.

M Whallen, Petaluma		Z Justus & wf, Santa Rosa	
W B Wells, Oakland		W Witmore,	do
M P Benoma,	S F	Mrs Ringstrom & d,	Sonoma
S Lots,	do	G Batchelder,	do
T McDonald & s,	do	Wm Jones,	do
M M Blum,	do	J Ellis, Napa	
F Dellepiane,	do	C Ruffner, Sonoma	
F Butler,	do	A Doggett, Visalia	
J W Stetson,	do	D Barris, Traver	
Edw Rand,	do	G W Rodghaver, Petaluma	
B Leader,	do	F G Cary,	do
H J Stenson,	do	W P Fine,	do
J F Fullerton,	do	D Misner,	do
H G Maynard,	do	T Kelly, Napa	
John C Cullen,	do	J Tinnen,	do
Wm Diffenbacher,	do	G F Emery, Oakland	
J Becken,	do	J A Cowen, Petaluma	
M Kleist,	do	A Newburg,	do
Mrs Schoenwald & d,	do	Al Prichett,	do
G R Gray,	do	H Hagen, Napa	
P Knudsen,	do	Tiburcio Parrott, St Helena	
B Edwards,	do	J L Berringer,	do
Jas skiff,	do	Fritz Berringer,	do
J A Bauer,	do	Chas Gibbs,	do
T McBell, Peoria, Ill		Mrs Johnson, Buena Vista	
W A Schireman, Indiana		Alf McGrotty, Agua Cal	

JONES' HOTEL.

Andrew Long, Petaluma		B A Dntcher, Livermore	
Jas Ruffner,	Sonoma	A Marcuci & f,	Sonoma
Mrs Jas Ruffner,	do	Gus Hill, Willow Ranch	
C H Hanks,	S F	W E De Forest,	S F
M E Clark, Watriss		F N Fish,	do
E J Barra & wf,	S F	John Dumbacher,	Sonoma
M Goodwin,	do	N K Stewart, El Dorado	
H Ivemeyer,	do		

Only Half Alive.

There are hosts of men and women who, to coin a phrase, are only half alive. That is to say, they have seldom, if ever, any appetite, are nervous, weak, fidgetty and troubled by numberless small pains and aches. In the presence of vigorous, exuberant vitality they seem mere pigmies. Such persons are usually fond of frequently dosing themselves, swallowing in the course of the year enough drugs to stock any apothecary shop of average dimensions. This, of course, defeats instead of furthering the end in view, viz., the recovery of health and vigor. Were they to seek it from an unfailing source of vitality, Hostetter's Stomach Bitters, how different would be their case. Then vigor would return to their debilitated frames, the glow of health to their wan cheeks, their trembling, uncertain gait would grow firm and elastic, appetite, that grandest of all sauces, would give a relish for the daily food, were it ever so coarse, and refreshing sleep would crown the tasks of the day.

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Notice to Bidders.

SEALED PROPOSALS WILL BE RECEIVED at the places of business of either of the undersigned, up to 6 o'clock, P. M., Saturday, May 29th, 1886, for putting about 150 rods of wire fence around the cemetery grounds. Full particulars given on application.

ED. WEGNER,
CHAS. McHARVEY,
Committee on Cemetery of Board of City Trustees.

SONOMA, May 21, 1886.—2t.

CHALLENGE.

I, the undersigned, hereby challenge any man in Sonoma county to a contest of roping and riding a wild horse for any amount from $5 upward. Man and money ready at any time at Bihler's Ranch, Vallejo township.

LOUIS LEAVENWORTH.

Sonoma, May 11, 1886. 4t

MISCELLANEOUS.

NOTE THIS!

POSITIVE CLOSING OUT SALE!

—OF—

Badger's FURNITURE STORE,

Will Close up June 1st.

Until then will Sell Balance of Stock at

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Libby, McNeill & Libby's Corn Beef, 2-lb can	25
Deviled Ham, per can	25
Six Crystal Wax Candles	20
Green Teas, ₱ lb	40
Young Hyson	45
Pure uncolored Japan	45
Basket Tea, full weight	65
Coffee, green Java, 4½ lbs	$1 00
Coffee, best Costa Rica 7½ lbs	1 00
Coffee, good Costa Rica, 9½ lbs	1 00
Coffee, blended roasted, 4½ lbs	1 00
Coffee, very best Costa Rica roasted, 5½ lbs	1 00
Sugar, Dry Granulated, 12½ lbs	1 00
Sugar, coffee, 17 lbs	1 00
Breakfast Delight or Germea, 4-lb packages	25
Hams, ₱ lb	14
Bacon, light medium, ₱ lb	11½
Bacon, light ₱ lb	13½
Seven bars ammonia bleaching Soap	25
Four bars Babbet's best Soap	25
Three long bars laundry Soap	25

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HAVING THIS DAY PURCHASED of Mr. Robert J. Pauli his Fire Insurance business, comprising the best Companies on this coast, I most respectfully solicit the patronage of the insurance public of Sonoma and vicinity. Policies issued in the following companies:

Firemans' Fund Ins. Co. of San Francisco, Cal.
Sun Ins. Co. of San Francisco, Cal
Commercial Union Ins. Co. of London.
Hartford Ins. Co. of Hartford, Conn.
Connecticut Ins. Co. of Hartford, Conn.
German-American Ins. Co. of New York.
Phœnix & Home Ins. Co. of New York.
New York Underwriters' Ins. Co. of New York.
Ins. Co. of North America } of Philadelphia, Pa.
Pennsylvania Fire Ins. Co. }
Oakland Home Ins. Co., Oakland, Cal.
Commercial Ins. Co., San Francisco, Cal.

Parties desiring insurance would do well by giving me a call.

JOHN TIVNEN,
General Insurance Agent.

Sonoma, March 27, 1886. my15tf

NOTICE.

IN RE-ESTATE OF JOHN T. WOLFE presumed to be dead.

[L. S.] And now, April 12, 1886, the Court being satisfied that the legal presumption of death is made out, it is so decreed, and it is ordered that said JOHN T. WOLFE, if alive, or any other person for him, to produce to the Court, within twelve weeks, from the 21st day of April next, satisfactory evidence of his continuance in life, otherwise Letters of Administration on said estate will be granted as prayed for.

Per Curiam.

Attest: GEO. W. KISTNER, Clerk.

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SONOMA, MAY 22, 1886.

CITY OFFICIAL PAPER.

☞ Hereafter obituaries, funeral notices, tributes of respect, etc., will be charged for at the rate of 10 cents per line.

LOCAL BREVITIES.

The best of accommodations at the Union Hotel. *

If you have poultry you wish to sell go to Christie's. *

If you want a first-class buggy cheap, apply at this office.

Call at the Union Hotel and get one dozen bottles Fredericksburg Salvator Beer for $2 25. +

The thermometer on Tuesday at 3 P. M., registered 95 degrees in the shade.

The net proceeds of the concert given for the benefit of Mrs. J. P. Weems amounted to $115 50.

The people of Glen Ellen will celebrate the Fourth of July with a picnic and grand ball in the evening.

The ladies of the Congregational church are making preparations for a concert and festival to be held on June 10th.

The railroad surveying party is at present engaged in mapping out a route between Vallejo Junction and the Sonoma Valley Railroad.

The Union Hotel is becoming quite a resort for city visitors to Sonoma. The fame of this hotel is becoming well known to travelers and pleasure seekers. *

Rev. E. H. King will preach in the M. E. Church to-morrow (Sunday) at 11 A. M. and 7.30 P. M. Sabbath school at 10 A.M. All are cordially invited.

Bodily pains are instantly relieved by the use of St. Jacobs Oil. Dr. R. Butler, Master of Arts, Cambridge University, England, says, "It acts like magic."

By reference to our advertising columns it will be seen that Badger & Co. will close their business in this town June 1st, in the meantime they will close out their stock of furniture less than cost. *

The weather still favors the grape crop, but all danger from frost will not have been passed before the first of next month, as frost has been known to prevail in this valley as late as the 29th of May.

Boards of Health endorse Red Star Cough Cure as a speedy and sure remedy for coughs and colds. Scientists pronounce it entirely vegetable and free from opiates. Price, twenty-five cents a bottle.

A fine and large stock of straw and felt hats have been received by A. F. Pauli & Co., the past week. Also, a beautiful and varied line of 5-cent lawns. The public are invited to call and inspect the same.*

Jos. A. Cowen, Gus. Walsh, Jas. Skiff, A. R. Perry, B. O'Harra and Mat. McNally of Petaluma, entertained the audience at the Catholic Fair, with a minstrel performance on the opening night. Their singing was good and many of their gags extremely laughable.

City Clerk McDonnell, who was summoned East a few weeks ago to the bedside of his sick father, will return home about the 1st of June. He will be accompanied on his return by his aged parent who will make Sonoma his future home.

The stench arising from the open sewer running alongside First Street West is becoming almost unbearable since the hot weather set in. The health of the residents in that part of town demands that some measures be taken by the Trustees to put the sewer in question in a sanitary condition.

A high mandarin of China, in his letter of thanks to Dr. Ayer for having introduced Ayer's Pills into the Celestial Empire, called them "Sweet Curing Seeds"—a very appropriate name! They are sweet, they cure, and are therefore the most profitable "seeds" a sick man can invest in.

The social dance given at Cady's Agua Caliente Springs Hotel on Tuesday evening last, was well attended. An enjoyable time was had by all present, and Mr. Cady was unanimously voted the prince of hosts. The affair was gotten up in first-class style, the supper, music, etc., being all that could be desired.

Dr. J. A. Bauer of San Francisco, accompanied by Henry Hagan, Tiburcio Parrott, J. L. Beringer and F. Beringer of St. Helena, spent a couple of days in the valley this week. The object of their visit was to inquire into viticultural matters, and quite a number of vineyards and wine cellars were visited by the party.

Past Grand John H. Miller of Sonoma Lodge, No. 28, I. O. O. F., has received the appointment of D. D. G. M. of District No. 14; which includes Napa Lodge, No. 18, St. Helena Lodge, No. 167, Calistoga Lodge, No. 227 and Sonoma Lodge, No. 28. Mr. Miller is well up in the work of the order and the appointment is a most excellent one.

The Agua Caliente Springs Hotel, having been enlarged and refurnished is now one of the most elegant and attractive summer and winter resorts on the coast. Visitors will find the house supplied with every modern convenience, and no pains will be spared to make their stay pleasant and comfortable. Prices to correspond with the dull times. *

A GRAND SUCCESS.

That is What is Said of Mrs. Weems' Benefit.

One of the most agreeable entertainments ever given in Sonoma took place on Friday evening of last week at Union Hall, before a large audience. The affair was a complimentary benefit to Mrs. J. P. Weems, given by her many friends as a testimonial of their appreciation of her repeated assistance on numerous occasions of a like character. We append the program for the benefit of those of our readers who were not present.

The opening overture began at 8.15, and owing to a delay in the arrival of some members of the dramatic company the recitation by Miss Clayton was announced to open the entertainment. The recitation was one of Carleton's, and Miss Clayton's ability to delight an audience is too well-known to require comment.

The first act of "A Husband to Order" followed, and we have seldom seen an amateur performance of more merit, as the participants carried their parts in a manner which did them great credit and most certainly delighted the audience. Flowers were showered upon the ladies and threatened to monopolize the stage.

At the close of the first act, Mrs. Weems gave "Only Once More" in her happiest manner and being heartily encored replied with "Mrs. Brady." At the close of the play a spirited instrumental solo was delightfully rendered by Miss Berthe Aguillon; and the dramatic performance closed with a solo from Mrs. Weems, which was so beautifully given as to demand a recall. She replied with "Don't Leave Your Mother, Tom, When Her Hair Turns Gray," assisted by Miss Gertie Enos.

We cannot, in a limited space, speak particularly of each actor in the play where all did so well, but the part taken by Miss Louise Enos is worthy of especial mention, being rendered with a force and manner that might have done credit to a professional, and astonished her many friends who were not aware of her extraordinary dramatic talent.

The play, and in fact the arrangements of the entire performance were in the hands of Mrs. J. S. Enos, and to her is due in a great measure its brilliant success. It is no easy matter to superintend an entertainment of this kind in a place where the participants live at such distances apart, and any one who has ever even assisted at an amateur drama knows the enormous difficulties attending its successful rendering. Certainly Mrs. Enos and her co-workers deserve strong and unqualified praise. Every one seemed the right one in the right place and that always insures success.

The entertainment was succeeded by a social hop which was enjoyed until a late or rather early hour, the music being furnished by Blum's Band of San Francisco.

It seems as though the monotony of country life might be greatly relieved by the more frequent introduction of some such delightful entertainment as the one just witnessed, for Sonoma is particularly fortunate in being the home of an unusual number of talented amateur artists.

Electricity in Vineyards.

In a recent issue we gave a description of the frost bell, which is in use in many of the Glen Ellen vineyards, and which has proved itself of great value this season. Thos. S. Glaister, the well-known vintner and inventor, who resides on his place a few miles east of Sonoma, has conceived a valuable attachment to the frost bell which, no doubt, will prove as practical as it is simple. As is already known to many of our readers, the vineyardists of Glen Ellen, in order to guard against the destruction of their grape crop by frost, have set up in their vineyards an electrical alarm thermometer, which, on the approach of frost, rings an alarm bell inside the residence. All hands are thus aroused and turning out light the brush and rubbish piles which have been prepared so that the vineyard may be enveloped in a dense smoke, which is a sure protection to the vine from frost. Mr. Glaister's attachment to the frost bell is nothing more or less than wires connecting with the electric battery with points leading to each pile of rubbish in the vineyard, and when the mercury reaches 33 degrees, instant connection is made with the battery and the electric current transmitted to each bonfire, which has been provided with a small quantity of gun cotton. This is immediately ignited by an electric spark and thus the fires are started all over the vineyard at the same instant. This will obviate the necessity of keeping a number of men on hand to light the fires as is necessary in the case of large vineyards, and will effect a great saving in labor and money.

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ROMANCE IN REAL LIFE.

Marriage of a Couple Who Last Met Six Years Ago in Japan.

Miss Marguerite A. Sheppard, daughter of Mr. Eli T. Sheppard, ex-United States Consul to Japan, and one of the leading viticulturists of Sonoma Valley, and Mr. G. F. Brindley were united in the holy bonds of wedlock at Columbus, Ohio, on the 5th inst. The "Ohio State Journal" contains the following in regard to the event:

"The marriage of Mr. George F. Brindley of Birmingham, England, and Miss Marguerite A. Sheppard of Sonoma, Cal., was solemnized yesterday at noon at the residence of Mrs. Winfield S. Sheppard of West King avenue. The ceremony was after the Protestant Episcopal form and was conducted in an impressive manner in the presence of the immediate relatives of the bride, by Rev. Casper W. Hiatt. The bride is a lovely brunette of the American type. She was attired in cream-colored satin with square neck and square train bodice of cream-colored crepe trimmed with pearls and embroidered in cream-colored marguerite with golden centers. Her only ornament was a beautiful harp in dead gold with wild roses—a present from the groom—which was worn at her throat. Mr. Brindley appeared in full dress after the English style. As the two stood at the altar they were the perfect embodiment of beauty and strength. After the congratulations an elegant lunch was served. This is the first meeting of the couple for six years, their former association together having been in Japan. The bride came half way to meet her groom, chaperoned by her mother, and now the trio will proceed at once to Sonoma Valley, their future home, to which lovely spot the kindest wishes of their friends attend them.

COUNTY ITEMS.

The crop reports throughout the county are very flattering.

John Fratis of Two Rock was thrown from his wagon one day last week, in Petaluma, and had two ribs broken.

John Tarpey of Valley Ford was severely injured by being thrown from a butcher's wagon near Bodega, on the 13th inst.

On Tuesday morning at 3 o'clock, a dwelling-house in Bloomfield, owned by Charles Hall and occupied by John Johnson, accidentally took fire and was destroyed with all its contents. The building was valued at $1,000; furniture about $600. No insurance.

A genteman from Alexander Valley states that he gathered a bunch of wild oats there Sunday that stood seven feet and a half high. Such an enormous growth has not been known for many years. It is stated that twenty-five years ago the oats grew so high in some parts of this county that they could be tied in a knot over a bronco's back.—[Democrat.

Georgia, the youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Muller of this place, says the Santa Rosa "Democrat," narrowly escaped a serious, if not fatal accident, Thursday. While standing on the upper stringer of their front picket fence she suddenly lost her balance, and in falling, the sharp point of a picket caught in the little one's limb, on the inside near the thigh, plowing a deep gash for some length in the fleshy part of the member. The wound bled freely, but fortunately no bones were broken nor arteries ruptured.

Mrs. McCune of Petaluma, aged about 35 years, was found dead in her bed at the Brooklyn Hotel, on Friday morning of last week. She was the housekeeper of the hotel and retired last evening apparently in good health. Mr. Niblock, the proprietor of the hotel, heard her moaning about 12 o'clock at night. He went up stairs, and finding her very sick called in a doctor, who administered some medicine and went away. Coroner King held an inquest and found a verdict of death from unknown causes.

PERSONAL.

J. H. Drummond and Jas. A. Shaw of Glen Ellen paid this office a pleasant visit last Thursday.

Alf. Mac Grotty, a prominent wholesale wine merchant of San Francisco, has been sojourning in the Sonoma Valley the past week.

Jas. Ruffner of this place and Mrs. Eliza Morris of San Francisco, were married in that city by the Rev. G. W. Izer, on Thursday of last week.

Ed. Rogers of Petaluma, a prominent candidate for the Republican nomination for Sheriff of this county, accompanied by his wife, visited the Catholic Fair on its opening night.

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SHERIFF CRITTENDEN of Merced county died very suddenly in Merced last Sunday.

ST. FRANCIS' FAIR.

The Opening a Success in Every Particular.

The opening night of St. Francis' Fair was all that could be expected. So crowded was the hall that there was barely space left for standing room. The Sonoma and Catholic church bands entertained those present with some excellent airs, while the Petaluma Minstrel Troupe gave a very creditable performance.

The ladies of St. Francis' church deserve especial mention for the tasteful manner in which the different booths were arranged. The fancy stands, wheel of fortune, grab bag, ice cream, candy, lemonade and refreshment tables were well patronized.

The second night the hall was also crowded, the chief attraction of the evening being a grand vocal concert by a male chorus composed of sixteen voices. The singing was really a treat to lovers of music, and it will be some time before the people of Sonoma will have an opportunity to hear so many well trained voices together. The duet singing by Mrs. Popper and Mr. Frank of San Francisco, was one of the special features of the concert and was highly appreciated.

Last evening the principal features were the awarding of prizes and music by the Sonoma Brass Band.

To-night it is expected the hall will be crowded to listen to Herr Karl Formes, the greatest of living bass singers. He will be assisted by Mrs. Formes and his pupils. This will be a treat which no one should miss, as one may not have another occasion to hear this celebrated basso in a life time. A number of elegant and costly prizes will also be distributed and other attractions will be introduced to make up an enjoyable evening.

Can't Please Everybody.

The life of an editor, remarks an exchange, has its perplexities. Being of a class that every one feels privileged to criticise on all occasions and at all times he gets more hard knocks than that usually allotted to the balance of mankind. The Dawson, Ga., "Journal" has put its observations on this point in the following shape:

Editing a paper is a pleasant business, if you like it.

If it contains much political matter people won't have it.

If the type is large, it don't contain much reading matter.

If we publish telegraph reports, folks say they are nothing but lies.

If we omit them, we have no enterprise, or suppress them for political effect.

If we have a few jokes, folks say we are nothing but rattleheads.

If we omit jokes, folks say we are nothing but fossils.

If we publish original matter, they damn us for not giving selections.

If we give selections, people say we are lazy for not writing more and giving them what they have not read in some other paper.

If we give a complimentary note, we are censured for being partial.

If we don't, all hands say we are a great hog.

If we insert an article which pleases the ladies, the men become jealous, and vice versa.

If we attend church, they say it is for effect.

If we remain in our office attending to our business, folks say we are too proud to mingle with other fellows.

If we go out, they say we don't attend to our business.

Old Auntie Warrington.

[Santa Rosa Democrat.]

Auntie Warrington is the name of a sweet and benevolent-faced old lady of 76 years, who resides with her husband, equally as aged, in the mountains only about five miles east of Santa Rosa. The good old lady has lived in the same place for the past thirty years, having moved there from Petaluma in 1856. She does not know where or what kind of a place Santa Rosa is, having never seen or visited it during her thirty years residence just behind the ridge. Neither has she seen the cars, as they wind their serpent-like course through our beautiful valley. She has never even peeped over the ridge and watched the great luminary of day as it sank to rest in the grand old Pacific. Her husband only comes to town twice a year to replenish their household larder. Few visitors ever stop at the old couple's home, nestled there among the mountains, but when they do they are treated in royal style.

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SULPHURING VINES.

Information That May Prove of Value to Viticulturists.

Prof. Hilgard of the Agricultural Experiment Station of the State University has prepared the following paper in regard to sulphuring vines. As the information contained therein may prove of value to our many readers who are engaged in the pursuit of viticulture we give it place in these columns:

A number of letters making inquiries regarding the proper time and mode of using sulphur for the prevention or repression of mildew on vines, suggest the propriety of a summary statement of the subject, for the general benefit of those interested.

The first question asked is whether sulphuring should or may be done while the vine is in bloom. There is much contradictory evidence on this subject. From an outside point of view it seems undesirable to place an antiseptic, intended for the destruction of minute vegetable life, in immediate contact with the extremely delicate tissues of a flower in process of fructification. The action of the pollen on the pistil itself involves a process of genuine growth, which cannot be supposed to be favorably influenced by the presence of an agent hostile to other vegetable life. Still, as in the case of the buhach or insect powder, which, however fatal to fleas, is innocuous to man, it is possible that what is very deadly to a minute organism like mildew may pass harmlessly by even the delicate stigma and pollen tubes of the larger vine. No special warning in the premises is given in the latest European and American works on viticulture, and it must be presumed that no obvious or constant bad effects have been noted from sulphuring blooming vines. It is true, however, that elsewhere the time for sulphuring is usually very much later than is found necessary in some parts of California, where mildew often starts in May; hence, perhaps Californian experience on the subject is more extensive, and it is somewhat conflicting.

Decided injury has been reported in some cases; in others it has been noted that vines sulphured during bloom have "set" fruit abundantly, while others close at hand and not sulphured have been subject to coulure to a damaging extent. In such cases it must be inferred that the coulure was due to a fungous parasite which was at work on the bloom, and which was suppressed where sulphuring was done, but was permitted to do its work where the antidote was omitted.

As regards the reported cases of obvious damage from sulphuring into the bloom, some clue to its possible causes was afforded by the examination of a collection of samples of commercial sulphur exhibited at a late meeting of the Santa Clara Viticultural Society. Among eight samples of California ground sulphur there were three that possessed a strongly acid taste on the tongue, evidently from the presence of sulphuric acid. It is quite certain that if any sulphur so contaminated were introduced into an open grape flower it would effectually destroy the vitality of any pollen or pistil touched by it. No such acidity was perceptible in any of the samples of French (sublimated) sulphur exhibited at the same time, although one would more reasonably expect to find it there than in ground sulphur, in view of the usual modes of production.

Considering the whole of the facts before us, I would advise that sulphuring should be done before or after bloom rather than during the same; and that all sulphur used at such time, especially, be carefully tested on the tongue to ascertain whether or not it contains a perceptible amount of acid. All such should be discarded from any use whatsoever in the vineyard.

Regarding the mode of application, I have previously given my reasons for preferring to have sulphuring done while the leaves are moist with dew. The powder then remains adherent to the leaves instead of being blown away by the first wind; and thus the disinfecting action is maintained for a length of time as it is necessary it should be, since the effect is not instantaneous, but depends upon the gradual formation of sulphur vapor. The latter is formed more or less at all ordinary temperatures, as is obvious from the well-known odor which is especially striking when a sulphured vineyard is under hot sunshine. There is not, as has been erroneously stated, any combustion under these conditions, and therefore no generation of the "sulphurous gas" which serves as a disinfectant in wine cellars. Moreover, any particles of sulphur lodging on the soil and becoming mixed with it becomes useless so far as the formation of sulphur vapor is concerned, because that vapor is promptly absorbed by the soil. Only relatively large masses of sulphur falling on the ground can exert any effect on the vine; but whatever lodges on the head or in the crotches of the stock will, to the extent of its surface exposure, contribute to the formation of the disinfecting vapor. The most economical and effective use is, after all, the even dusting over of the moist leaves, on which the particles will remain fixed until evaporated. For young vines the dredge is most convenient; on older ones the bellows having a positive provision for agitating the sulphur powder within is preferable. Without such provision the distribution is very uneven and wasteful.

As regards, finally, the choice between ground and sublimated (French) sulphur, the two are doubtless of equal efficacy when made equally fine, and, while differing considerably in price for equal weights, there is really little difference in the cost of equal bulks, which is the practical basis of comparison. Both the touch and the microscope show that the ground sulphur is prevalently much coarser than the sublimated, and the large, smooth, shining fragments of the former roll off and are blown away from the leaves much more easily than the minute, rough, roundish grains of the sublimated. Of course, the latter could be prepared in California just as well as in France; and, judging from the samples lately examined, it would when so made be more certain of not containing injurious ingredients than is some of the sulphur now offered, which has probably been made from crude, natural volcanic material, instead of such as has been purified by previous melting from the acid with which it is almost always contaminated. Arsenic is another common impurity of native sulphurs, and would be very objectionable in an application to a blooming vine.

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"NED BUNTLINE."

Dangerous Illness of a Noted Fiction Writer.

Col. E. Z. B. Judson, "Ned Buntline," the well-known story writer, is reported to be dangerously ill at his residence near Stamford, New York. Capt. Jack Crawford, the poet scout, is credited by a reporter who interviewed him concerning "Ned's" illness, as saying that the novelist has always led a temperate life, has never used either tobacco or intoxicating liquors, etc. The statement is not true. Judson in early life was a hard drinker and he had reached the lowest round on the social ladder, when he made up his mind to reform. He took the pledge and soon after, about 1866, started out as a temperance lecturer. In 1868 he visited the Pacific Coast and for several months stayed in and near San Jose. After leaving San Jose, where he delivered several lectures under the auspices of the Sons of Temperance and the Good Templars, he went to San Francisco and for a while did literary work for the "Golden Era," then published as a weekly. While on his return to the Eastern States in 1869, he met at a mining camp in Montana, Buffalo Bill, then a noted scout, hunter and guide. Bill had gained his nickname a few years before while killing buffaloes for the U. P. R. R. Company. Judson took a liking to the tall, handsome frontiersman, and when he reached his New York home he sat down and wrote a sensational serial for the New York "Weekly," with Buffalo Bill as the hero. The opening number had a full length picture of the scout in his most picturesque attitude, and it is quite needless to remark that the popular young American heart was fired at once. Other serials, with Bill as the leading actor, followed in quick succession and the buffalo killer soon found himself famous. Judson, having thus successfully inaugurated the boom for frontier heroes, next took up Texas Jack (J. B. Omahundro) and Wild Bill (J. B. Hickok), and when all three were in the full tide of popularity, he wrote a border drama with the frontier trio as the leading characters, and engaged them to perform the parts upon the stage. The scheme was a grand success. Judson had a part himself, and crowded houses greeted the combination everywhere. But Wild Bill was too wild for such a life, and after a few month's experience he threw up his engagement and went to Leadville, where he afterwards met his death at the hands of a gambler whose brother he had killed. Wild Bill's place in the troupe was taken by Capt. Jack Crawford and the show went on. The next to leave was Judson, for reasons best known to himself. It is said, however, that since that time there has been a coolness between him and Buffalo Bill. Capt. Jack Crawford, always a gentleman, has ever retained Judson's friendship. Buffalo Bill, of late years has been playing on his own hook, and is said to have accumulated half a million of dollars. When Judson picked him up he had not a sou marquee.

Types of Girls.

[N. Y. World.]

What has become of the gentle, soft and docile young girl? She flourished once, and was usually considered to be about the most fetching thing in girls extant. Recently she placidly drifted out of sight, leaving in her stead the dashing, wide-eyed and blooming girl who holds the field to-day. There is something plaintive in the memory of the docile young girl. She was the dude of femininty. She did not row or bowl or ride or walk, but was content to drift modestly along, bland, serene and dove-like, wearing her eyes aloft, her hair in pretty curls and her hands folded submissively in her lap. When she timidly entered the room and took her seat in a far corner—a bit of lace handkerchief in one hand and "Lucille" in the other—and began to coo in her mild and earnest way about the hollowness of her life, large, bony and robut men fell prostrate before her, and she meekly gathered them in.

She was succeeded by the girl who was usually described as "elegant." This particular fashion in girls was never very popular with men, but it was immensely affected by women. The "elegant" girl was graceful in mein, polite, refined and usually immeshed in a dim and entirely unfounded mystery spoken of in meaning whispers by her companions as an "affair." The "elegant" girl never impressed me much. I confess in a deprecatory way that after I had left her I was wont at times to go off in some secluded corner, where nobody but the man in the moon could see, and indulge in giggling to a wholly indecent extent. She was a deep girl. I have known her at times to surreptitiously accomplish the erection of a romance which concerned the love of a soulful girl with a tangled mass of blue-black hair for a lambent-eyed man, whose distinguishing characteristics were a rare and brilliant smile and a fondness for talking about things he evidently knew nothing whatever about in words ten syllables long. She called him Egbert, Boyce or Clare, and usually signed herself "Marione." I don't know why she added the final "e"—neither did she.

The animated girl with a gush of artificial merriment came romping on the scene, and the "elegant" girl stood disapprovingly aloof and stared at her. But the gaiety—fictitious or genuine—of the latest thing in girls drove all the others out of favor, and for a time New York would have no other girl than the one who was perpetually on her toes and squeaking out her rapturous delight at everybody and everything on earth. She chatted of "sassiety," of "sets," "classes" and "families," and though she may at heart have been artful, cunning, crafty and insincere, or simply sentimental, weakly and inane, her manner was ever that of a pure and artless young thing. Was she ever tiresome? Did her perpetual outbursts of enthusiasm and delight cause you at times to step aside and drop a hot and scalding tear of pity for her? It did. Of all the fashions in girls this was by far the least lovable.

Which brings us to the New York girl of to-day, with her red hussar jacket, smart little turban, erect carriage and easy swing. She owns the world. The easy play of the features, the superb color, and the eyes that look a man square in the face and achieve his maudlin subjection at a glance are familiar to us all. We forgive her affectation of the English, for when she speaks of "row-dy-dow's" it is with a quizzical smile and her boldness is never anything but charming. She is natural at least, and at her best, and no man dare remind her of the time when she was "docile" or "elegant" or "animated"—and for that matter, no man cares to, for the present fashion in New York girls is not to be lightly tampered with or treated with anything but abject and entire admiration.

The Plain Girl.

[Philadelphia Times.]

An esteemed contemporary emphasizes the fact that in Berlin, Paris, London, Boston, New York, Philadelphia, Chicago, St. Louis, and even in Camden the girl who elopes with the coachman, ruins the preacher, runs away with the variety show, kills herself and keeps the reporters employed, is always beautiful and brilliant on paper and gets all the fuss made over her, while the plain girl, who stays at home, mends the stockings and helps keep the human kitchen warm and clean, is very much neglected.

It is all too true. In their search for pleasure and beauty, as in their search for wealth, men are too apt to forget everything except the object of their quest, and the object being too often trivial they are apt to be fooled, while the beautiful girl gets the advertising and a long, sound sleep on opium. The plain girl, meanwnile, gets very tired of her work in the store, of her studies, or teaching at school, and of her domestic cares, but she is apt to wake in the morning when the beautiful girl has long ceased to wake.

Queer and unmanageable as they are, girls are likely to get their dues like other people. The beautiful girl is courted for her beauty and spoiled. The plain girl is admired and loved for her usefulness and is seldom spoiled. In the long run the plain girl gets more appreciation and genuine admiration for her usefulness than the beautiful girl gets for her beauty. It is usually considered a more comfortable thing to live a life of virtue than a life of shame, and while beauty does not necessarily imply misfortune it is apt to bring such, and the plain girl need not cry her eyes out because she is plain.

How She Looks.

Miss Folsom's hair is soft and brown, of a shade between light and dark. It is combed well back from her full forehead, and loose, wavy tendrills fall away from their confinement against the ivory whiteness of her face. She has violet-blue eyes, a well-shaped nose and mouth and a full, round chin. The warm pallor of her complexion contrasts with the deep red of her full lips, in which all her color concentrates itself. Her shoulders are broad, and her bust and waist of classic proportions. She has finely molded hands and feet; not small, but well suited to her height.

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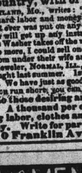

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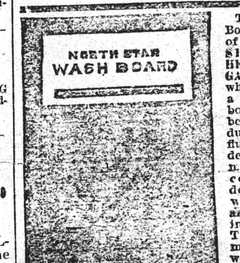

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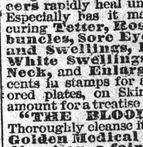

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